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ALAMEDA

Dr. Wendell Stanley, director of the Virus and Biochemistry Laboratory, University of California, Berkeley, recently was appointed to a four-year term on the National Cancer Advisory Council for the National Cancer Institute.

BUTTE

Dr. Richard C. Murphy, formerly assistant health officer for the San Joaquin Local Health District, was appointed health officer of Butte County, effective August 1. Dr. Murphy takes the place of Dr. John Philp who recently resigned the post to become assistant chief of the division of local health service of the California State Department of Public Health.

LOS ANGELES

Dr. J. M. Furstman, head of the Santa Monica district office of the Los Angeles County Health Department for the past five years, retired last month after 45 years of service in public health.

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Dr. W. Henry Atkinson of Los Angeles was elected president of the California Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Association at the recent annual meeting of the organization in Oakland. Helen Guenveur, D.D.S., of Berkeley, was elected president-elect, Dr. Daniel Collins, San Francisco, vice-president; E. P. Giddings, Ph.C.M.S., Los Angeles, secretary; Dr. Joel Lewis, Berkeley, assistant secretary; and Dr. Clay Wilson, Berkeley, treasurer.

SANTA CLARA

Appointment of Dr. John M. Chatton, director of the out-patient clinic of the University of California Hospital in San Francisco, as Santa Clara County director of medical institutions was announced recently by Howard W. Campen, acting executive of the county. Dr. Chatton succeeded Dr. Henry E. Dahleen, who retired.

A special committee of the Santa Clara County Medical Society assisted in the selection of Dr. Chatton for the post.

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After 42 years of separate existence the Palo Alto Health Department last month became a division of the Santa Clara County Health Department. Simultaneously the retirement of Louis Olsen who had been the city health officer for 39 years, and who approved the new arrangement, was announced.

Under the new set-up Dr. Lydia Verborg, who for some time has supervised well-child conferences in Palo Alto,

was appointed medical officer in charge of the Palo Alto office of the County Health Department.

Dr. W. Elwyn Turner, county director of public health, said employees of the former Palo Alto Health Department would remain in their jobs as county employees.

SUTTER

Dr. Frank J. Dulian of Orange County has been appointed director of Sutter County Hospital to take the place of Dr. Stewart C. Loeb who resigned last month.

GENERAL

Grants totalling \$23,730 for 1952-53 to aid six research projects in three California institutions were announced recently by the American Heart Association. Included in a total of 72 projects for which grants of \$361,522 were approved, the California investigations supported were listed as follows: University of California, Berkeley, two awards for research by David M. Greenberg, one of \$5,250 for study of protein metabolism and its relation to high blood pressure and hardening of the arteries, and one of \$525 for research on the relation of certain hormones to diseases of the heart and blood vessels; University of California, San Francisco, \$3,675 for a study, by Isidore S. Edelman, of water distribution in patients with edema; Institute for Medical Research, Los Angeles, \$3,780 for investigation, by Harry Goldblatt, of capillary circulation in renal hypertension produced experimentally in dogs; Mount Zion Hospital, San Francisco, two awards, one of \$6,300 for study of the metabolism of cholesterol by Meyer Friedman, and the other, \$4,200, for investigation by Ray H. Rosenman, of the role of potassium in maintenance of blood pressure and in changes in blood vessels in presence of normal or high blood pressure.

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Grants to aid two cancer control projects in California were awarded last month by the National Cancer Institute; \$4,979 to Los Angeles County Hospital for development, by Dr. E. M. Butt, of a registry and library of tumor specimens for use by pathologists and other physicians; and \$26,500 to the University of California School of Medicine, San Francisco, for a study by Dr. Robert S. Stone to evaluate teaching, with regard to cancer, in medical schools.

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The 17th annual assembly of the United States and Canadian chapters of the International College of Surgeons will be held in Chicago, September 2-5.

The Right Hon. Lord Thomas Horder, M.D., chairman of the Fellowship for Freedom in Medicine and member of the Council of the British Medical Association, will be the speaker at the convocation, to be held September 5, at which some 700 new fellows will be received into the college. His subject will be "Freedom in Medicine."

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A series of articles on the medical aspects of civil defense, previously printed in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* under the sponsorship of the Council on National Emergency Medical Service, has been reproduced in booklet form. The booklets are available at 25 cents for a single copy and at 20 cents a copy for orders of 100 or more.